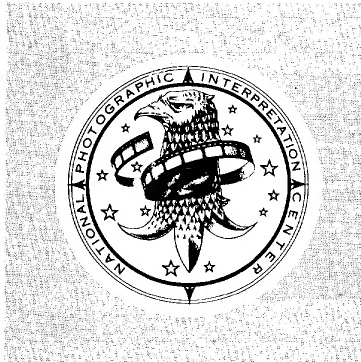


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HIGH-BAY BUILDING AT LA ROSITA ARMS FACTORY, CUBA

1. A high-bay building under construction approximately one mile north of La Rosita Arms Factory, Cuba, is the first such building observed near a known arms factory in that country. La Rosita Arms Factory is in an isolated area 17 nautical miles (nm) south-southwest of Santa Clara, in central Cuba.

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2. Construction in this area began in [REDACTED] the area included the high-bay building (Figure 1, item a), two small square buildings south of it (items b and c), probably concrete approaches connecting these three buildings, and an unpaved road serving all three.

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3. Footings and frame work for the high-bay building were observed on photography of [REDACTED] and the building appeared to be nearing completion by [REDACTED]. At each end of the building, below the high-bay section, a probably concrete approach extends [REDACTED] beyond the building. Each approach turns south at a right angle and extends [REDACTED] to a small building (items b and c). The entranceway to these buildings slopes down, indicating that the buildings are at least partially underground. They are only [REDACTED] above ground level.

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4. A building was under construction on the west approach (item d) on [REDACTED]. By [REDACTED] the west approach, including the building, was being covered over by a gable roof.

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5. An unpaved road south of the high-bay building is 10 meters (33 feet) wide. It formed an approximate rectangle measuring [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. The road parallels the south side of the main building, which may have vehicle entrances on that side.

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6. The entire area is surrounded by a single fence. A probable guard shack is at the entrance to the road, and a single guard tower is on the southwest side of the main building.

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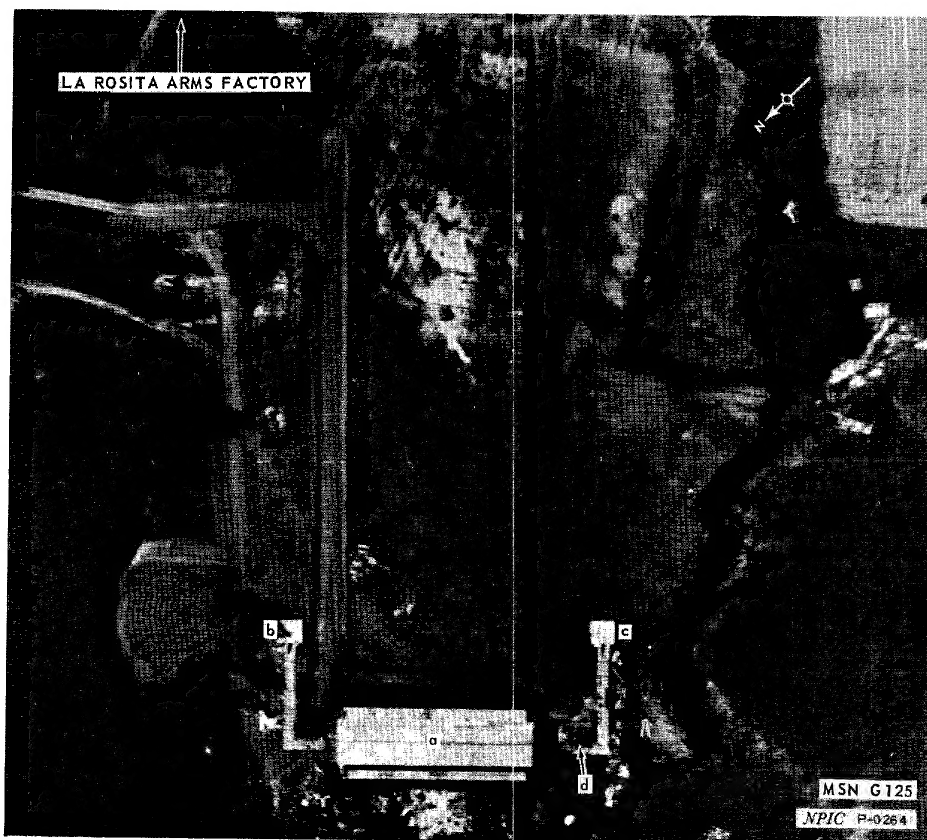


FIGURE 1. HIGH-BAY BUILDING AT LA ROSITA ARMS FACTORY, CUBA, [REDACTED]

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>
a	High-bay building Geo coords: 22-09-20N 080-04-35W Overall measurements Height, main roof Height of high-bay section
b,c	Small building Entrance width Height above ground
d	Building under construction

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